

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB3889

Introduced 2/22/2021, by Rep. Camille Y. Lilly

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

720 ILCS 5/48-11

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that a person commits unlawful use of an exotic animal in a traveling animal act when he or she knowingly allows for the participation of an exotic animal (rather than an elephant) in a traveling animal act. This offense is a Class A misdemeanor. Defines "exotic animal".

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CORRECTIONAL
BUDGET AND
IMPACT NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning criminal law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by
- 5 changing Section 48-11 as follows:
- 6 (720 ILCS 5/48-11)
- Sec. 48-11. Unlawful use of an <u>exotic animal</u> elephant in a traveling animal act.
- 9 (a) Definitions. As used in this Section:
- 10 "Exotic animal" means any animal that is native to a
- 11 <u>foreign country or of foreign origin or character, is not</u>
- 12 <u>native to the United States, or was introduced from abroad</u>
- including, but not limited to, lions, tigers, leopards,
- 14 <u>elephants, camels, antelope, anteaters, kangaroos, and water</u>
- 15 <u>buffalo</u> and species of foreign domestic cattle, such as
- Ankole, Gayal, and Yak or a wild animal.
- 17 "Mobile or traveling animal housing facility" means a
- 18 transporting vehicle such as a truck, trailer, or railway car
- 19 used to transport or house animals while traveling to an
- 20 exhibition or other performance.
- 21 "Performance" means an exhibition, public showing,
- 22 presentation, display, exposition, fair, animal act, circus,
- 23 ride, trade show, petting zoo, carnival, parade, race, or

- 1 other similar undertaking in which animals are required to
- 2 perform tricks, give rides, or participate as accompaniments
- 3 for entertainment, amusement, or benefit of a live audience.
- 4 "Traveling animal act" means any performance of animals
- 5 where animals are transported to, from, or between locations
- 6 for the purpose of a performance in a mobile or traveling
- 7 animal housing facility.
- 8 (b) A person commits unlawful use of an <u>exotic animal</u>
- 9 elephant in a traveling animal act when he or she knowingly
- 10 allows for the participation of an exotic animal African
- 11 <u>elephant (Loxodonta africana) or Asian elephant (Elephas</u>
- 12 maximus) protected under the federal Endangered Species Act of
- $\frac{1973}{1}$ in a traveling animal act.
- 14 (c) This Section does not apply to an exhibition of exotic
- animals elephants at a non-mobile, permanent institution, or
- 16 other facility.
- 17 (d) Sentence. Unlawful use of an <u>exotic animal</u> elephant in
- 18 a traveling animal act is a Class A misdemeanor.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 100-90, eff. 1-1-18.)